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SUBJECT: JOHN C. VAN VISIT

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1. DEPT CHECKED WITH AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON AFRICA, WELL-KNOWN AND REPUTABLE LIBERAL GROUP CONCENTRATING ON SOUTHERN AFRICAN AFFAIRS, RE VAN, BUT NO INFO ON HIM AVAILABLE ON SHORT NOTICE. ATTEMPTED REACH DR. HARRINGTON BUT UNABLE DO SO BY PHONE.

2. EMBASSY MAY WISH ADVISE GOM OF BONA FIDES OF AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON AFRICA AND EXPRESS HOPE PRESIDENT BANDA WILL AT HIS CONVENIENCE BE ABLE RECEIVE VAN. COULD ALSO USE OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE POINT WITH NGWIRI OR OTHER OFFICIALS THAT GIVEN WIDE RANGE OF NON-OFFICIAL AMERICANS WITH INTERESTS IN AFRICA, NEITHER DEPT NOR EMBASSY IN POSITION ESTABLISH BONA FIDES OF SUCH VISITORS EVEN THOUGH WE WILL TRY TO BE HELPFUL, AND THAT VAN CASE SHOULD NOT BE CONSIDERED PRECEDENT IN THIS REGARD. KISSINGER

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